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Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified Application as follows:

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On page 26, lines 16 and 21, please delete "C" and insert therefor -- °C--.

On page 27, line 3, please delete "C" and insert therefor -- °C--.

On page 38, line 10, please delete "94 C" and insert therefor --94°C--; line 11, please delete all instances of "C" and insert therefor --°C--;